

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT.

As Surgeon to the House of Industry, I beg to report that my duties have consisted of the usual routine of visiting the House as heretofore, twice a week, and oftener whenever illness of the inmates required it. I have visited applicants for relief in remote parts of the city, in order to protect the House from imposition, and although I had no occasion to reject any who were thus visited, *have often* detected persons coming before the Committee, at the House, claiming assistance on the-ground of feigned illness

The following are the numbers and ages of those who have died in connection with the House during the year 1873, viz, 1 at 84 years, 1 at 82, 1 at 80, 1 at 79, 1 at 77, 1 at 73, 2 at 72, 1 at 68, 2 at 67, 1 at 65, 1 at 64, 1 at 62, 1 at 61, 1 at 56, 1 at 55, 1 at 52, 1 at 42, 1 at 39, 1 at 16, 1 at 4, 1 at 3. 1 at $1\frac{3}{4}$, 1 at $1\frac{1}{2}$, and 1 at 1 year.

The diseases of which they died were Cerebral Softening 4, Consumption 3, Marasmus 1, Disease of the Heart 5, Hooping Cough 2, Typhoid Fever 2, Chronic Bronchitis 1, Chronic Diarrhæa 1, Senile Debility 2, Dropsy 1, Measles 1, Epilepsy 1, Chronic Rheumatism 1, Intemperance 1.

The deaths occurred in Jan. 1, Feb. 5, Mar. 3, April 6, May 1, June 3, July 1, Aug. 1, Sep. 2, Oct. 1, Nov. 1, Dec. 1.

The influence of the intense cold of last winter will be observed in the high mortality for the months of February, March, and April.

Both heat and cold, when extreme, prostrate those of low vitality, and very sensibly increase the death rate.

Respectfully submitted.

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